

Docket No. 284677US40PCT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yasuhisa HAGIWARA, et al.

SERIAL NO: 10/565,540

GAU: 1793

FILED: October 18, 2006

EXAMINER: Kevin P. KERNS

FOR: CONTINUOUS CASTING METHOD, CAST MEMBER, METAL WORKED ARTICLE, AND
CONTINUOUS CASTING APPARATUS

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

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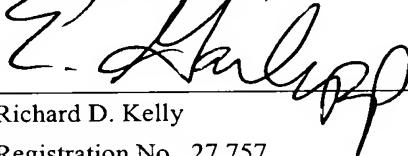
It is hereby requested that a one month extension of time be granted to April 6, 2008 for

- filing a response to the Official Action dated: December 6, 2007.**
- responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:
- filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.
- responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:
- filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due has been filed.
- filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of \$120.00 is being made by credit card payment and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 15-0030.

Respectfully Submitted,

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